IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: YUICHIRO DEGUCHI, ET AL. GAU:

SERIAL NO: NEW DIV. APPLN. EXAMINER:

FILED: HEREWITH

FOR: SEARCHING SYSTEM, SEARCHING UNIT, SEARCHING METHOD, DISPLAYING METHOD FOR

SEARCH RESULTS, TERMINAL UNIT, INPUTTING UNIT, AND RECORD MEDIUM

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

- Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/695,636, filed 10/24/00, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- □ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number, filed, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	MONTH/DAY/YEAR
Japan	11-304389	10/26/99
Japan	11-306817	10/28/99

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- □ are submitted herewith
- will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/695,636 filed 10/24/00.
- were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number.

 Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
 - (B) Application Serial No.(s)
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